# ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS

ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

\* Planting Cotton/Rice/Sorghum/Soybeans/Cutting Hay

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**RELEASED:** May 28, 2002 3:00 p.m.- Too many cool and cold days have hindered crop development and advancement. Crop planting activities continue in most areas of the state according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 6 percent short, 79 percent adequate and 15 percent surplus.

**CROPS:** Corn planting is complete. Cotton, rice, sorghum, and soybeans planting continued. Several counties report replanting of cotton, rice, and sorghum. Soybean planting is in full swing. Tomatoes are at fourth string stage with too much moisture affecting quality. Weed control activities have been high as the weather has created one of the worst years for weeds according to several county agents, both in crop fields and in pastures.

**LIVESTOCK:** Cattle producers continue vaccinating cattle. Cattle were in good condition with calves being weaned. Most pastures are in good condition. Many pastures are still being fertilized and other weed control measures being applied. Hay cutting and baling continues where fields are dry.

#### **Crop Progress and Conditions**

Progress %						Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
SORGHUM					3	13	37	41	6	
Planted	97	94	94	92						
Emerged	93	87	89	84						
CORN					0	2	37	51	10	
Planted	100	100	100	100						
Emerged	100	98	98	77						
COTTON					14	24	45	17	0	
Planted	92	76	96	95						
Emerged	74	57	84	79						
Cotton Squaring	0	0	1	0						
RICE					4	11	35	42	8	
Planted	95	92	99	96						
Emerged	90	83	94	84						
SOYBEANS										
Planted	47	32	64	49						
Emerged	30	25	49	32						
WHEAT					2	15	42	36	5	
Headed	100	100	100	100						
OTH. HAY					1	1	21	59	18	
PASTURE					0	2	15	60	23	

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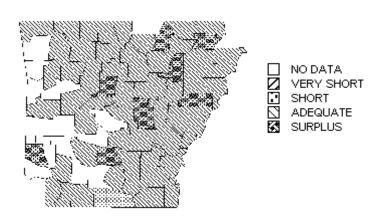
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## **SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES**

## **WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:**

May 26, 2002. Temperatures were below normal, for the week, rainfall was below normal, with some areas needing rain. Several reporting stations recorded the high temperature of  $89^{\circ}$  and Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of  $40^{\circ}$ . Precipitation ranged from a high of 0.73 inch at Fayetteville and a low of 0.00 inch at several reporting stations.



## TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: May 26, 2002

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	TE	MPERA	ATURES	RAINFALL						
DISTRICT			DEPARTURE	WEEK	CURRENT		JANUARY-APRIL			
AND	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	MAY	MAY				
STATION			NORMAL	MAY 26	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2002	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	79	48	-2	0.73	4.35	5.06	17.69	13.05		
Harrison	78	43	-4	0.40	4.31	5.01	19.67	13.60		
2 Calico Rock	84	40	-4	0.27	4.77	4.83	23.54	14.79		
Greers Ferry	83	48	-3	0.00	3.06	5.00	19.74	16.96		
Mountain Home	80	42	-5	0.00	4.11	4.85	22.97	14.35		
3 Batesville	82	43	-5	0.15	3.54	4.88	17.85	15.86		
Jonesboro	88	46	-5	0.07	2.89	4.92	16.49	16.29		
Keiser	83	48	-5	0.06	4.56	5.57	17.46	17.24		
Newport	87	50	-5	0.18	4.15	4.74	16.44	16.64		
4 Booneville	82	43	-4	0.00	3.35	5.73	24.14	14.70		
Clarksville	80	50	-2	0.01	2.26	5.21	25.08	14.68		
Dardanelle	85	52	-4	0.00	1.50	5.67	20.36	15.18		
Ft. Smith	81	53	-3	0.00	2.17	5.29	25.37	12.81		
Mena	79	42	-3	0.00	3.09	6.65	22.84	17.33		
Ozark	81	44	-4	0.04	1.43	5.13	28.19	13.66		
5 Conway	82	50	-5	0.18	3.05	4.62	21.28	16.20		
Hot Springs	89	48	-2	0.00	4.36	6.41	19.35	18.25		
Little Rock	86	51	-4	0.01	3.83	5.05	17.53	17.29		
N Little Rock	88	54	-2	0.00	3.31	5.40	17.60	16.55		
6 Brinkley	87	50	-4	0.03	2.99	5.70	17.68	17.64		
Marianna	86	48	-4	0.06	4.28	5.34	17.42	18.92		
Stuttgart	89	50	-3	0.00	7.00	5.12	18.23	18.23		
7 Hope	84	46	-3	0.00	3.55	4.90	21.77	18.01		
Texarkana	86	51	-3	0.00	4.34	4.29	18.49	14.92		
8 Camden	86	46	-3	0.00	7.41	4.71	14.29	18.45		
El Dorado	86	48	-4	0.16	2.90	5.49	17.12	18.87		
Warren	85	48	-4	0.00	5.38	4.67	17.30	20.61		
9 Eudora	89	49	-4	0.00	1.74	5.43	24.23	22.87		
Pine Bluff	87	51	-3	0.37	5.21	4.96	20.16	18.43		
Rohwer	87	51	-3	0.00	9.94	4.78	18.44	19.68		